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Evaluation of the National Family Caregiver Support Program

The Administration for Community Living is directing a national, comprehensive evaluation of the National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). The evaluation will assess the impact of the program at several levels and will document how NFCSP goals are being met and how programs are being implemented in the field.

[The Federal Register Notice](#) for public comment regarding the proposed NFCSP Evaluation information collection activities was posted on November 20, 2013.

Written or electronic comments on the proposed information collection activities must be submitted to [Alice-Lynn Ryssman](#) by January 21, 2014.

SNAP Enrollment Grants

The [National Council on Aging's \(NCOA\) Senior SNAP Enrollment Initiative](#) is a national program that fights senior hunger by supporting efforts by community-based organizations and agencies to assist older adults (i.e., age 60 and over) in applying for and enrolling in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). This initiative is supported by a grant from the Walmart Foundation.

Through the Senior SNAP Enrollment Initiative, NCOA will award grant funding to community-based organizations and agencies, including senior centers, to assist low-income older adults in applying for and enrolling in SNAP and other benefits. The [Request for Proposals](#) was issued this month. The deadline is January 3, 2014.

New Resources



[Listening to Family Caregivers: The Need to Include Family Caregiver Assessment in Medicaid Home- and Community-Based Service Waiver Programs](#) is a new

report from the AARP Public Policy Institute. It presents findings from a 50-state survey examining how well the needs of family caregivers are assessed when states evaluate the needs of older people and adults with disabilities who qualify for home- and community-based services (HCBS) programs under Medicaid. The report also highlights "promising practices" in family caregiver assessment in three states and offers policy recommendations to expand HCBS to strengthen caregiving families.



[Let's Talk: Starting the Conversation about Health, Legal, Financial, and End-of-Life Issues](#) is a new guide

for families looking to have these sometimes difficult conversations with loved ones. It was created by the Eldercare Locator and Conversation Project with support and funding from ACL.



[Meet Ben! An Introduction to the Ticket to Work Program](#) is a video that explains the program. Ben

receives disability benefits but wants to work. The video follows his journey to navigate the Ticket to Work program and his options for finding services to help him along the way. In the video, Ben learns what happens when you contact the Ticket to Work Help Line, his options for selecting a service provider to help him meet his work goals and how to make a plan for going to work.

Upcoming Events

Dual Eligible Demonstrations: What Can Other States Learn from NY, VA and SC?

The National Senior Citizens Law Center (NSCLC) is hosting a webinar on the lessons learned from the dual demonstration projects in New York, Virginia and South Carolina. In 2013, each of these states received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for their state's dual eligible demonstration project. The webinar will review specific features of the state programs, including the appeals process, care continuity, plan evaluations and ombudsman programs.

*Tuesday, December 17, 2:00-3:00 PM ET

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